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**Reply Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116  
Expedited Procedure  
Technology Center 2855**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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Title : Thermal Flowmeter For Measuring a Flow Rate of Fluid

**AFTER-FINAL AMENDMENT  
PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. § 1.116**

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Sir:

The following requested amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted in response to the Final Office Action mailed December 18, 2008. The response due date, extended two months, is May 18, 2009.

**Requested Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 5 of this paper.